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police car with its money, and the list goes on. Existing law says that to win, keno operators must have paper tickets, and that keno games shall not be player activated and that games shall not occur within five minutes of the completion of the previous game. My amendment continues to require tickets, but allows magnetically recorded tickets, such as the plastic disks that can be swiped. This is an option to paper tickets. Magnetic tickets do not have to be marked with the name of the county, the city or the village conducting the lottery; currently, paper tickets must have that information. With magnetic tickets that information must be displayed where the Currently, local governments must store paper ticket is sold. tickets for three to five years for recordkeeping purposes. seems prudent to me to let our local communities to take advantage of new technology that would make audits easier and require less storage space. The amendment still mandates that games not be player activated. These games with numbers selected by computer or other electronic device...those games with numbers selected by computer or other electronic device may occur more often than every five minutes. However, if the location uses an electronic blower machine to select numbers, there must continue to be a five minute wait between My amendment also allows the quick-pick ticket, wherein a player can let the keno operator...keno equipment randomly select the numbers, much the same as the lottery games. But if a person is buying a quick-pick ticket more than once every five minutes, the players can only wager \$1 per game. safeguards in this bill include that no device in a keno game can dispense coins or any type of credit good for future games. Also, no device in a keno game can have a light or a handle on it. Keno will still be a parlor game where games are activated by keno operators, never by the players. We need these changes so that our local charities can compete with other competitors to some extent and continue to benefit our communities. I ask for your support of this amendment to LB 659. I'd be happy to answer any question from you at this time. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Robak. For discussion on the Robak amendment to LB 659, Senator Janssen.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of